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Gulf of Mexico OCS Region
1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard
New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

July 9, 2021

Ms. Danielle Scott
BP Exploration & Production, Inc.
501 West Lake Park Boulevard
Houston, Texas 77079

Dear Ms. Scott:

Reference is made to BP Exploration & Production, Inc.'s (BP) Right-of-way (ROW) Modification application (TIMSWEB submittal ID: 239226941) received by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Pipeline Section on June 22, 2021, for Pipeline Segment Numbers (PSNs) 18454, 18944 and 19078, associated with ROW No. OCS-G 28680.

Specifically, BP requests a temporary cessation of operations for PSNs 18454, 18944 and 19078 until September 26, 2021. The pipelines have been out-of-service as follows: PSN 18454 since March 29, 2021; PSN 18944 since March 11, 2021; and PSN 19078 since December 28, 2020. The temporary cessation of operations is being requested due to ongoing Gas Lift Shutdown Valve (GLSDV) closure logic updates at Platform A (Na Kika FPDS) in Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474.

The table below describes the pipeline segments pertaining to the aforementioned application:

PSN	Size (NPS)	Length (feet)	Service	Origin	Termination
18454	1-2	14,995	Lift Gas	A (NaKika FPDS) Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474	8-inch SSTI Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474
18944	8	14,595	Umb	A (NaKika FPDS) Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474	GLUTA Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474
19078	1	403	Lift Gas	GLUTA Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474	8-inch SSTI Mississippi Canyon Area Block 474

Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1000(b), BP's application is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

1. The annual rental required by 30 CFR 250.1012 shall continue to be due and payable in December of each calendar year.

2. If the associated pipelines have not been returned to service and are not being used for the purpose for which the pipeline ROW grant was made by September 26, 2021 the ROW grant shall be deemed expired in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1014. As a reminder per 30 CFR 250.1010(h) the ROW holder must remove all pipeline segments and accessories associated with ROW No. OCS-G 28680 within one year of the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration). Furthermore, a decommissioning application must be submitted to the BSEE Pipeline Section to decommission PSNs 18454, 18944 and 19078 within 30 days from the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration).
3. If at any time prior to September 26, 2021 it is determined that the use of PSNs 18454, 18944 and 19078 are to be permanently discontinued, an application to decommission the pipelines and relinquish the pipeline ROW shall be submitted to BSEE Pipeline Section.

BP is hereby reminded of the following in the event that PSNs 18454, 18944 and 19078 are not returned to service on or before March 29, 2022; March 11, 2022; and December 28, 2021 respectively:

1. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1006(b)(2), the subject pipeline segments must be flushed and filled with inhibited seawater.
2. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1003(b)(1), the subject pipeline segments must be hydrostatically tested for at least eight (8) hours at a stabilized pressure of a minimum of 1.25 times the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) prior to return to service.

Sincerely,

**ELIZABETH
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(for) Stephen P. Dessauer
Regional Supervisor
Regional Field Operations

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